

The Principal's Page

Immanuel Lutheran School - Silo

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National Lutheran Schools Week

Please see the embedded schedule for National Lutheran Schools Week for a complete listing of activities for the week. Our LCMS School Department has recommended that NLSW be celebrated earlier than previously as we move forward. Hence, NLSW will be celebrated during the last week in January.

Grandparents and parents will want to especially note the Friday afternoon activity. After lunch, at approximately 1 pm, the classes will present entertainment for those who are able to be in attendance. Please see the front page of our web site (immanuelsilo.org) for a picture and brief biography of Dr. Burkart who is orchestrating and coaching these performances.

Safety Audit

In the wake of the school tragedy in Newtown, CT, the Winona County Sheriff was invited to do a building walk-through to make safety suggestions for our school as it functions in our current building. The deputy who came had two basic suggestions. The first was to be certain that any windows through which a potential intruder could look have coverings available to stop the line-of-sight. All but two of these rooms already have window coverings in place. On the positive side, all classroom doors can be locked from inside the classroom.

The second suggestion was that we formalize and put into place a plan of action that needs to be followed in the unthinkable event of an intruder infiltrating the building. Plans are in place for both of these being addressed.

Sports Report

As of this writing the basketball teams have played most of their regular season games and are preparing to head into some tournament play. These tournaments include a conference tournament as well as at least one invitational tournament. The teams are reporting mixed, but very positive results for the season. Most recently

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the "B" teams (girls and boys) won the annual Silo B-Team Tournament.

Skype Technology

We now have the technology in our building to use Skype. Skype is a free internet program which allows people at two remote sites to talk with each other while they can also see each other at the same time. The two sites can carry on a live, visual, conversation with each other using the free program.

This technology has been used a number of times in school. Most recently it was used to have Dr. Burkart do live coaching sessions with two classrooms to help them prepare for the presentation on the afternoon of February 1. Also, several classrooms are planning to connect with classrooms in other parts of the country during National Lutheran Schools Week using Skype. Mrs. Anderson plans to skype with a seventh grade room in Jacksonville, FL. Miss Hillman plans to skype with a classroom in Cedar Falls, IA and a friend in China, and

Miss Meinert hopes to connect with her nephew's classroom in Truman, MN as well as another.

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Sunday, Jan 27	All students sing at 8:15 & 10:30 am 1-4 pm roller skating @ High Rollers, LaCrosse or sledding – E-mail will be sent
Monday, Jan 28	8:10 am Chapel-offering to Hope HS 8:40 am Student Breakfast 10-10:30 am Thailand Mission Trip 1 pm Knowledge Bowl Hat Day
Tuesday, Jan 29	8:10 Chapel 10-10:30 am Thailand Mission Trip 1 pm Make cards for... Clash Day
Wednesday, Jan 30	8:10 Chapel-offering for LAMP 10-10:30 am Thailand Mission Trip Silo Pride Day
Thursday, Jan 31	8:10 am Chapel 10-10:30 am Thailand Mission Trip Dr. Burkart on site to work with classes Sports Dress Day
Friday, Feb 1	8:10 am Chapel-offering to Building Fund 8:40 am Parent/Grandparent breakfast 1:00 pm Dr. Burkart and classes presentation Dress Up Day

Third Quarter Chapel Offering

With the start of the third quarter our chapel offerings are being dedicated to Children's Christian Concern Society. CCCS is a RSO of the LCMS and provides Christian education opportunities for children in third world countries around the world. Their print matter contains a factoid: Students in Tinquipaya, Bolivia walk up to 14 hours one way through winding mountain paths to school. Their cost of tuition includes twenty pounds of potatoes, six eggs, and six pounds of a crop grown by their family.

Through our donations we will help to sponsor such a school somewhere in the world.

We partner with parents to meet the needs of God's children by providing a Christ-centered education.